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#### § 80.515 Limitations on use.

A private coast station or marine utility station using telephony must:

- (a) Not be used for public correspondence;
- (b) Not be used to transmit program material for radio broadcasting; and
- (c) Not be used to transmit press material or news items which are not required to serve the needs of ships.

## §80.517 Time limitation on communication.

All communication engaged in by private coast stations and marine utility stations must be limited to the minimum practicable transmission time. Each station licensee must employ standardized operating practices and procedures.

### § 80.519 Station identification.

- (a) Stations must identify transmissions by announcing in the English language the station's assigned call sign. In lieu of the identification of the station by voice, the official call sign may be transmitted by tone-modulated telegraphy in international Morse Code manually or by means of an automatic device approved by the Commission. Transmissions on the navigation frequency (156.650 MHz) by stations on drawbridges may be identified by use of the name of the bridge in lieu of the call sign. Identification must be made:
- (1) At the beginning and end of each exchange of communications and;
- (2) At intervals not exceeding 15 minutes whenever transmissions or communications are sustained for more than 15 minutes.
- (b) Marine utility stations, private coast stations, and associated handheld radios, when exchanging communications, may be identified by a unit identifier in lieu of the call sign. Identification by transmission of the assigned call sign must be at the end of

the exchange or at least once every 15 minutes.

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# Subpart L—Operational Fixed Stations

#### § 80.551 Applicability.

This subpart contains rules applicable to operational fixed stations.

# §80.553 Supplemental eligibility requirements.

An applicant for an operational fixed station must certify that:

- (a) The applicant is the licensee of a coast station:
- (b) Other suitable telecommunications facilities are not available to satisfy coast station requirements.

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### § 80.555 Scope of communication.

An operational fixed station provides control, repeater or relay functions for its associated coast station.

# §80.557 Assignment and use of frequencies.

The specific frequencies for these stations are listed in subpart H of this part.

### § 80.559 Licensing limitations.

Operational fixed stations are subject to the following licensing limitations:

- (a) A maximum of four frequencies will be assigned.
- (b) Stations will not be authorized when applications indicate less than 16 km (10 miles) separation between a proposed station and a TV transmitter operating on either Channel 4 or 5, or from the post office of a community in which either channel is assigned but not in operation.
- (c) Stations located between 16 km (10 miles) and 128 km (80 miles) of a TV transmitter operating on either Channel 4 or 5, or from the post office of a community in which either channel is